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ACCREDITATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

Note by the secretariat

Addendum

1. Documents ICCD/COP(3)/15 and Add.1 list all accreditation requests received from national, international, governmental and intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations as of 30 September 1999. The present addendum lists further accreditation requests received from non-governmental organizations as of 5 November 1999.

2. In accordance with article 22, paragraph 7 of the Convention, and rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the Conference of the Parties (decision 1/COP.1, ICCD/COP(1)/11/Add.1), the secretariat recommends that the Conference of the Parties accredits as observers:

(a) The intergovernmental organization listed in annex I, and

(b) The non-governmental organizations listed in annex II.

Annex I

INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION PROPOSED FOR ACCREDITATION BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES AT ITS THIRD SESSION

Union douanière et économique de l'Afrique centrale - communauté économique et monétaire de l'Afrique (UDEAC-CEMAC)
BP 969
Bangui
Central African Republic
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Annex II

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS PROPOSED FOR ACCREDITATION TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES AT ITS THIRD SESSION

1. Associação Pernambucana de Defesa da Natureza (ASPAN)
Caixa postal: 7.862 CEP:50.732-970
Recife - Pernambuco
Brazil
Tel: (55 81) 222-2038
Fax: (55 81) 222-2038
Email: aspan@aspan.org.br
Established: 1979
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes community awareness programmes aimed at encouraging a sense of responsibility in the community for the protection of the environment. Promotes and supports actions taken to protect the environment and human health. Monitors exploration and exploitation of natural resources. Encourages the use of local technologies.

2. Association sénégalaise d'appui au développement (ASADE)
B.P. 104
Louga
Senegal
Tel: (221) 967 3859 / 967 3434
Fax: (221) 967 3859
Email: fidgeres@sonatel.senet.net
Established: 1997
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes programmes related to agroforestry and aimed at improving communities' access to water. Encourages the teaching of environmental education at school level. Aims to improve the capacity of local communities to manage their limited natural resources. Assists in training in techniques to fertilize the soil, including the protection of seedlings and fixation of dunes. Supports and undertakes specifc actions to empower community women, such as saving and credit systems, commercialization of local produce and manufacture of soap and 'neem'.

3. CARE Denmark
Noerrebrogade 68B
2200 Copenhagen
Denmark
Tel: (45) 35 36 88 58
Fax: (45) 35 36 88 78
Email: care@care.dk
Established: 1987
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes projects which help families in agricultural areas of developing countries to improve their living conditions and ensure sustainable development through the introduction of sustainable agricultural methods, participant-controlled natural resource management and the strengthening of local organizations. Plays an active role in the dissemination of information on environmental and agricultural projects and in the development of new project proposals and new strategies. Participates in the debate on development politics. Produces development education materials for schools, adult education centres and cooperatives.

4. Central Única dos Trabalhadores (CUT)
Rua Caetano Pinto, 575, Brás, cidade de São Paulo
São Paulo
Brazil
Tel: (55.11)3272.9411
Fax: (55.11)3272.9610
Email: sociais@cut.org.br cut@cut.org.br
Established: 1983
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes activities in the semi-arid regions of north-east Brazil aimed at preserving the environment, jobs and sustainable development. Develops actions in partnership with other civil groups aimed at alleviating poverty and drought. Catalogues positive actions undertaken to combat desertification.

5. Centro de Assessoria e Apoio aos Trabalhadores e Instituições não Governamentais Alternativas (CAATINGA)
Sitio Lagoa do Urubu, s/n Fazenda Urtigas, Caixa Postal 03-5600-000
Ouricuri - Pernambuco
Brazil
Tel: (55 81) 874-1258
Fax: (55 81) 874-1258
Email: caatinga@telesof.com.br
Established: 1996
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Organizes educational programmes on agro-ecology in rural areas. Implements agro-ecological development programmes with a view to developing shared technologies, methodologies and agro-ecological procedures which contribute to strengthening the sustainability of family agriculture in the semi-arid regions of Brazil. Aims to develop and disseminate educational programmes suited to the social, economic, cultural and environmental conditions of the semi-arid regions.

6. Confederação Nacional dos Trabalhadores na Agricultura (CONTAG)
SDS Edificio Venancio VI, 1° andar
Brasilia - Distrito Federal. CEP 70393-900
Brazil
Tel: (55 61) 321-2288
Fax: (55 61) 321-3229
Established: 1999
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Represents a number of federations and syndicates of rural workers in the north-east of Brazil. Implements local development projects aimed at combating desertification. Supports public policies aimed at combating desertification. Draws up proposals for the development of the semi-arid region and takes responsibility for the development of actions for the preservation and exploration of environmental resources of the semi-arid region in order to lessen the socio-economic and environmental impact of drought in north-east Brazil.

7. Diaconia
Rua Marques Amorim, 599 Ilha do Leite
Recife - Pernambuco
Brazil
Tel: (55 81) 221-0508
Fax: (55 81) 221-0508
Established: 1967
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes activities in the north-east of Brazil. Supports family agricultural programmes concentrating on the technical, economical and socio-ecological viability of the projects. Assists in the construction of wells and cisterns for low-income populations of the semi-arid north-east region of Brazil.

8. Federação dos Trabalhadores na Agricultura do Estado de Pernambuco (FETAPE)
Rua Gervasio Pires, 876 Boa Vista
Recife - Pernambuco
Brazil
Tel: (55 81) 421-1222
Fax: (55 81) 421-1222
Established: 1996
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Collaborates with government and other stakeholders on proposals to minimize the effects of drought in the semi-arid regions. Organizes meetings to discuss and evaluate the proposals of the Federal and State government and develops additional proposals in collaboration with other stake-holders. In partnership with other organizations, undertakes the training of city committees to combat drought.

9. Friends of the Earth Australia (FoEA)
Box 222, Fitzroy, 3065
Victoria
Australia
Tel: (61 3) 94198700
Fax: (61 3) 94162081
Email: foe@foe.org.au : sbaker@tyndale.apana.org.au
Established: 1974
Membership: National

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Activities relevant to the Convention: Works on arid land management, mining, wetland management and indigenous peoples solidarity issues. Also undertakes advocacy and lobbying activities and is the focal point for the arid lands coalition. Produces informational and educational packages, slides and materials on arid land management. Contributes to the development of the Federal Government's national rangelands management strategy. Assists local committees in liaising with government over a wide range of management issues, including pastoral and mining activities, environmental flows and biodiversity management.

10. Fundaciõn Ecolõgica Arcoiris
Segundo Cueva Celi 03-15 y Clodoveo Carriõn
Loja
Ecuador
Tel: (572) 926 577 449
Fax: (572) 926 577 449
Established: 1992
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Implements projects aimed at soil preservation, including improved irrigation systems. Undertakes the management of endangered native forests and the preservation of the habitats of migratory birds. Endeavours to inform local communities on the growing deterioration of the soil due to its excessive use.

11. International Union of Soil Sciences (IUSS)
Gregor Mendel-Strasse 33,
1180 Wien
Austria
Tel: (43) 1 478 9107
Fax: (43) 1 478 9110
Email: iuss@edv1.boku.ac.at
Established: 1998
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Arranges meetings, conferences and congresses on issues related to soil science and gives support to soil scientists in pursuit of their activities. Arranges the publication of material relevant to the Union. Establishes cooperation with other related organizations. Undertakes research in areas of soil science, land degradation and desertification.

12. Jordanian Society for Women, Environment Development
King Hussein St. P.O. Box 921242
Amman 11192
Jordan
Tel: (9626) 462 7718
Fax: (9626) 5695972
Email: jswed242@yahoo.com
Established: 1999
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes public awareness-raising campaigns related to all environmental issues. Mobilizes human resources to protect and rehabilitate the environment. Assists women in improving their environment and income by providing capacity-building support. Involves women in all development activities and projects related to environment and development.

13. Association des amis de Tamchakett
B.P. 710
Nouakchott
Mauritania
Tel: (222) 254 780
Established: 1986
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Aims to improve the conditions of the local population by undertaking activities to alleviate famine, improve access to water and reversing the exodus from the rural areas. Promotes and supports investment in the area. Implements reforestation projects and constructs protection areas in an effort to combat desertification. Operates market gardens.

14. Ong el birr
B.P. 2144
Nouakchott
Mauritania
Tel: (222) 2 93164
Fax: (222) 2 55575
Email: elbirr@iiardol.mr
Established: 1994
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Undertakes programmes aimed at combating land degradation and desertification, in particular, reforestation programmes, dune fixation projects and development of fruit tree market gardens. Raises awareness amongst rural populations on the causes and problems of land degradation. Supports and organizes literacy classes for school children. Assists agricultural and pastoral cooperatives in accessing micro-credit schemes.

15. Organisation des femmes du Cap-Vert (OMCV)
Avenida Andrade e Corvo, Caixa Postal 213
Praia
Cap Verde
Tel: (238)612 455
Fax: (238)612 539
Established: 1981
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Assists women in the construction of banks to protect the soil from erosion. Encourages the participation of women in reforestation campaigns and projects. Conducts training for women to enhance and improve their skills for generating alternative incomes. Aims to construct a centre for the promotion of women.

16. Pakistan Rural Workers Social Welfare Organisation (PRWSWO)
Post Box n° 2, Bahawalpur-63100
Punjab
Pakistan
Tel: (92)621 82442
Fax: (92)621 82442
Email: farhat@bwp.nexlinx.net.pk prwswobwp@hotmail.com
Established: 1994
Membership: National

Activities relevant to the Convention: Acts as a facilitator, creating awareness amongst the rural communities to enable them to undertake their own development programmes. Conducts surveys to identify problems faced by the rural communities and thereafter assists them to formulate village development plans.